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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Anna Marie Pyle and Eckhard Jankowsky
Serial No.: 09/492,954 Examiner: A. Chakrabarti
Filed : January 27, 2000 Group Art Unit: 1634
For : ASSAYS FOR EVALUATING THE FUNCTION OF RNA
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1185 Avenue of the Americas
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July 15, 2002

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Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER'S DECISION
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION
FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Examiner mailed January 14, 2002 finally rejecting pending claims 1-8 in connection with the above-identified application. The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal for a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is \$160.00. A check for \$565.00 is enclosed, which amount includes the \$160.00 fee.

Applicants hereby request an additional two-month extension of time from May 14, 2002 to July 14, 2002 for filing a response to January 14, 2002 Final Office Action. The required fee for an additional two-month extension of time for a small entity is \$405.00 and the enclosed check for \$565.00 includes this amount. Since July 14, 2002 falls on a Sunday, a response filed on the next business day, i.e., Monday, July 15, 2002, shall be considered timely. Therefore, the subject application is pending

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today and this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

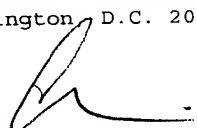
No fee, other than the enclosed \$565.00 sum, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Notice. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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